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Applicants: Katsuki SUEMATSU, et al.  
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For: METHOD OF PRODUCING FERRULE AND  
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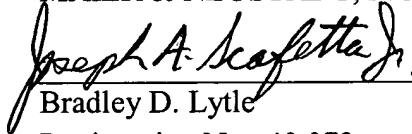
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**LETTER SUBMITTING DRAWING REPLACEMENT SHEETS (S)**  
**Replacement Drawing Sheets (2)**

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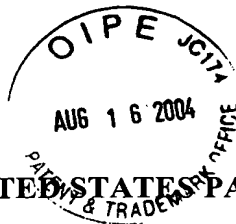
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Responsive to the below indicated communication, the following drawing sheets are submitted herewith:

☒ 2 Replacement Drawing Sheets ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ New Drawing Sheets

☐ Official Action dated \_\_\_\_\_

☒ Notice of Allowance/Issue Fee dated May 21, 2004

☐ Other dated \_\_\_\_\_

The changes and/or modifications made include the following:

The new drawings remove the symbol "(1e)" from Figure 1, and substitute the incorrectly labelled symbol "1c" with the proper label number "1e" in Figure 12. The comment made in Paper No. 6 regarding the objection to Figure 1, appears to be incorrect as the objection states that a change should be made to Figure 1 to include the feature "1e" in Figure 1. However, the language discussed in the Office Action is actually directed to Figure 12 (see e.g., paragraph 5 of paper 6) referring to line 15 of page 1 and incorrectly referring to Figure 1. However, page 1, line 15 is actually discussing Figure 12.

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